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Mayor and Members of the City Council
STAFF REPORT
For the Meeting of September 23, 2024

Title/Subject

Resolution 2339- Stop Signs at SE 9th & East Penney Avenue

Summary and Background

This resolution will authorize the installation of two new stop signs at the intersection of SE 9th street and East Penney Avenue, and removal of one existing stop sign.

SE 9th Street was extended approximately ½ mile south from it's intersection with Penney Avenue this Spring; creating a connection to Feedville Road. At the time of construction, a Stop Sign was installed at the Southeast corner of the intersection to stop northbound traffic on 9th.

The proposed changes are the result of requests from drivers in the vicinity as well as anticipated significant changes to traffic volumes through the intersection.

City staff anticipates a large private construction project to break ground on the property southwest of this intersection sometime within the next 6 months. The scale of that project is likely to result in upwards of 1,000 construction workers per day accessing the site, along with equipment and material deliveries for 24 to 36 months after construction begins. The approved site plan for the project will focus that activity to an entrance located on the western end of the new Penney Avenue extension west of the intersection with SE 9th. Upon construction completion, the site is anticipated to maintain upwards of 200 employees permanently at the site, with the access point remaining the same.

These changes will stop eastbound and westbound traffic on Penney Avenue, while allowing free movement for northbound and southbound traffic, identical to the intersection of Kelli and Penney.

Pioneer Seed is the only other major development located in this vicinity. Staff anticipates that these changes will increase safety for all employees accessing both sites while simplifying the intersection for loaded corn trucks making deliveries to Pioneer Seed as they are anticipated to shift their route to come straight in on SE 9th as a result of the new road connection to Feedville. Management at Pioneer Seed has been contacted about these proposed changes and agrees with the recommended action.

Upon adoption of this resolution, the signage revision is anticipated to be installed the week of Sept. 23, with additional signage denoting the change as appropriate.

Tie-In to Council Goals

Goal #3: City Facilities: Public Facilities that meet the community needs of today and the future.

Fiscal Information

This resolution will have minimal fiscal impact aside from the cost of the signage and staff time to install them; estimated at less than \$400.

Alternatives and Recommendation

Alternatives

1. Approve the proposed revisions
2. Request different revisions.
3. Reject the proposed revisions

Recommended Action/Motion

Motion to approve Resolution 2339

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